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APPOINTMENT OF SEVILLE FRANCIS TO THE SENATE

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Government is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Seville M.C. Francis as the newest member of the Senate in the Parliament of Grenada, who was sworn in on Wednesday August 28 by Deputy to the Governor General and former Prime Minister Tillman Thomas.

Ms. Francis is an advocate for social change and community development, distinguished by her commitment to enhancing the lives of marginalised populations in Grenada. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Sciences, specialising in Psychology (Magna Cum Laude) from St. George's University.

In her professional roles, Seville has collaborated with NGOs, community-based organizations, and government ministries to amplify marginalised voices and address their needs, promoting long-term sustainability and empowerment.

Seville has represented Grenada at the United Nations Best Diplomats Diplomatic Simulation Conference in Malaysia, where her work contributed significantly to her team, earning multiple awards for discussions on the disarmament of nuclear weapons and providing solutions for Small Island Developing States (SIDS). Additionally, she participated in an international programme in China, focused on poverty alleviation and social security, further broadening her understanding of global challenges and solutions.

Seville has been actively involved in several professional and non-profit organisations, including serving as the Telecommunication Chairperson for NaDMA (St. Patrick's West District), being a member of the Friends of the Mentally Ill Grenada, and has been officially pinned as a member of Caribbean Women in Leadership (CiWIL- Grenada chapter). She is also a past member of the St. Patrick Organisation for Development and other professional non-profit groups. Her advocacy initiatives and platforms span gender-based violence, violence against women and girls, suicide prevention, HIV & STI prevention, sexual abuse, mental health, and other critical issues.

Sen. Francis will serve as Parliamentary Secretary in the Ministry of Youth and Sports.